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This Dasara will have... Kambala

Mysuru will host traditional buffalo races on Oct. 18 and 19 at 23-acre MDA land in Sathagalli

Mysuru, June 26 (MTY&VNS)- The wait is finally over for *Kambala* enthusiasts. The much-awaited **Mysuru Dasara Kambala-2026,** the traditional buffalo race synonymous with coastal Karnataka, will be held on Oct. 18 and 19 as part of this year's *Nada Habba* Dasara celebrations.

The two-day event will be organised on a sprawling 23-acre Mysuru Development Authority (MDA) site at Sathagalli on the Outer Ring Road, near the Visvesvaraya Technological University (VTU) campus.

The announcement was made this morning by Mysuru and Bengaluru Kambala Committee Chairman and Puttur MLA Ashok Rai after inspecting two proposed venues. Besides the Sathagalli site, Rai also visited a location near Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan in Vijayanagar 1st Stage before finalising the MDA land.

Speaking to reporters, Rai said the venue's proximity to the Yuva Dasara venue would enable visitors to enjoy both events with ease.

"This year, *Kambala* has been included in the Mysuru Dasara celebrations as per the directions of Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar. Around 200 pairs of buffaloes from the coastal region will participate in the event along with their owners and family members," he said.

"The races will be held round-the-clock over two days. Visitors can also savour coastal delicacies and enjoy cultural programmes showcasing the traditions of Karavali and neighbouring regions," he added.

The participating buffaloes will arrive from Sullia, Moodbidri, Mangaluru, Udupi, Karkala and other parts of Dakshina Kannada a day before the Dasara *Kambala* event. They will halt at Madikeri en route to Mysuru.

Rai said winners will receive gold as prizes in keeping with *Kambala* tradition, but declined to reveal the quantity of gold to be awarded.

(See KAMBALA on page 6)

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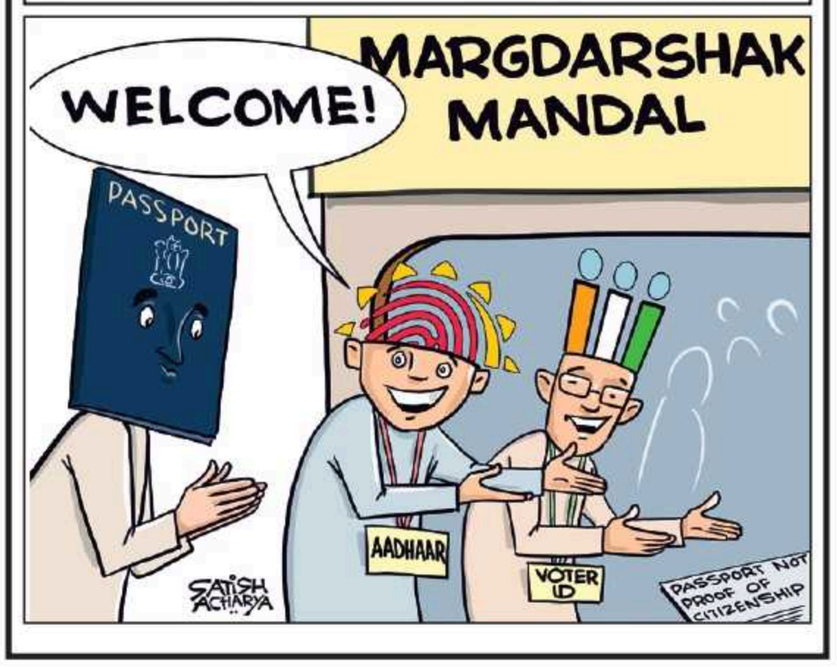
STAR PUNCH

By Satish Acharya



EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

MUSEUMS OF UNFINISHED EMOTIONS: ***There's a quiet ache that our phones induce. Not through battery percentage or storage warnings, but through thousands of photographs we have saved. Somewhere between screenshots of bills, forgotten PDFs and random selfies, there lives a picture of someone who no longer talks to us the same way. A smile that belonged to a different season of life. A sunset that once healed us for a moment. A dining table where everyone present in the frame was younger, happier and still together. Our phones have become museums of unfinished emotions.***

We click pictures, believing we are saving memories. Yet, strangely, the heart remembers what the camera never captures: the silence after laughter, warmth of a hand, petrichor on a particular evening, heaviness of a goodbye nobody saw coming. Photographs preserve faces. The heart preserves feelings. And perhaps that is why old pictures hurt sometimes. Because while the image remains untouched, people inside it keep changing. A child sitting on his father's shoulders in one photograph is now too busy answering corporate e-mails. Friends who were once inseparable now react to each other's stories with emojis. Someone who once occupied our entire gallery now survives only in archived folders and accidental memories. Life quietly moves from 'save image' to 'delete.'

Yet we rarely delete the important ones. Because we are emotional collectors. We store moments the way temples store prayers. Even when people leave, the memories continue paying rent inside us. A single photograph can travel faster than time itself. One late night, you open your photo gallery and suddenly an old image appears, as if by destiny.

For a few seconds, years collapse. You are no longer standing in your present life. You are back in that café, railway station, classroom, wedding hall, hospital corridor or that road trip, that ordinary evening which later became extraordinary through absence.

Perhaps this is why we keep taking pictures despite knowing that life cannot be paused. We are terrified of forgetting. But memory was never meant to be stored only in devices. The most sacred moments are not backed up on the cloud. They live silently within us, stitched into our breath, hidden in songs, attached to fragrances, awakened by festivals, rains, railway announcements or certain dates on the calendar.

The heart has its own gallery and maybe wisdom lies in understanding this: every beautiful moment deserves to be fully lived before it becomes a photograph. In the end, life is not merely about the moments we capture; it is about letting go of moments that once held us in their thrall.

—Jaggrat N. Taneja in The Times of India

NEWS SPARKLERS

Paddleboarders stalked by white shark

California: A drone camera captured footage when two paddleboarders found themselves stalked by a great white shark off the California coast.

Kayla Ross said she and her paddleboarding partner went out to intentionally try to find the shark that had been spotted off the Santa Barbara coast.

Ross said she didn't realize until returning to shore and reviewing footage captured by her uncle's drone camera that the shark had actually found them and added that the experience has not put her off paddleboarding and she is hoping to encounter an even larger shark in the future.

"We paddled pretty far out. He said that he saw something and that we had to head back to shore right now. But I didn't see it because I was just looking forward, paddling. So I didn't know what he saw, how big it was, so we just went straight back. But that was a little nerve-racking," Ross said.

Overturned truck releases 2 million bees

Mauriceville: Residents of a Texas neighbourhood were warned to remain indoors when a semi truck overturned and released an estimated 2 million bees into the roadway.

Orange County Emergency Services District 4 said on Facebook that the 18-wheeler overturned near the intersection of Colony Drive and FM 1130 in the Mauriceville area recently.

The truck was hauling 50,000 pounds of bees — an estimated 2 million of the insects — when it overturned while making a turn. The driver was not injured, but the area was soon swarming with escaped bees.

Queen Bee Supply posted photos showing the local beekeepers that were summoned to the scene to round up the bees and transport them to a local honey farm.

HEALTH CAPSULE

That Painkiller for Every Ache?

Frequent use of painkillers can silently damage your kidneys. Think twice before making it a habit.

By Dr. Vipin Kaverappa - Consultant Nephrologist & Kidney Transplant Physician - Manipal Hospitals Mysore

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LIFE'S ON

**** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature***

Revision in timings of trains

Mysuru, June 26- The timings of the following trains will be revised from July with effect from the dates mentioned against each:

1. Train No. 20693 Jodhpur-KSR Bengaluru Bi-weekly Superfast Express will arrive/depart Ghatprabha at 08:28/08:30 hrs instead of 08:43/08:45 hrs and Belagavi at 09:35/09:40 hrs instead of 09:50/09:55 hrs, with effect from the journey commencing on 25.7.2026.

2. Train No. 20686 KSR Bengaluru-Gandhidham Weekly Superfast Express will arrive/depart Belagavi at 09:35/09:40 hrs instead of 10:05/10:10 hrs, with effect from the journey commencing on 25.7.2026.

3. Train No. 16209 Ajmer-Mysuru Bi-weekly Express will arrive/depart Belagavi at 09:35/09:40 hrs instead of 09:45/09:50 hrs, with effect from the journey commencing on 26.7.2026.

4. Train No. 16531 Ajmer-KSR Bengaluru Weekly Express will arrive/depart Belagavi at 09:35/09:40 hrs instead of 09:45/09:50 hrs, with effect from the journey commencing on 27.7.2026.

5. Train No. 16533 Jodhpur-KSR Bengaluru Weekly Express will arrive/depart Belagavi at 09:35/09:40 hrs instead of 09:45/09:50 hrs, with effect from the journey commencing on 29.7.2026.

6. Train No. 11097 Pune-Ernakulam Weekly Express will arrive/depart Londa at 08:20/08:30 hrs instead of 07:58/08:00 hrs, with effect from 25.7.2026, according to Dr. Manjunath Kanamadi, Chief Public Relations Officer, SWR, Hubballi.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM	KABINI DAM	HARANGI DAM
Maximum **124.80 feet (49.452 tmcft)**	Maximum **2,284 feet (19.52 tmcft)**	Maximum **2,859 feet (3.13993 tmcft)**
Today's level **81.04 feet (11.251 tmcft)**	Today's level **2,253.25 feet (5.01 tmcft)**	Today's level **2,826.11 feet (2.38946 tmcft)**
Last year's level **120.90 feet**	Last year's level **2,279.10 feet**	Last year's level **2,851.00 feet**
Yesterday's level **81.08 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,253.66 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,825.97 feet**
Today's Inflow **584 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **102 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **296 cusecs**
Today's Outflow **712 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **1,521 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **180 cusecs**

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VOICE OF THE READER

Unfair toll collection on road to KRS Dam

Sir,

I would like to bring to the attention of the authorities an issue regarding the toll gate situated on the road leading to the KRS (Krishna Raja Sagar) Dam. The toll is being collected not only from visitors heading to Brindavan Gardens but also from individuals travelling to nearby villages or simply passing through the road. Unusually, this toll appears to be charged only for one direction, which raises questions about its fairness and justification.

Tolls are typically imposed on roads, bridges or tunnels to recover the costs of construction, maintenance and operation, thereby supporting better infrastructure without relying entirely on general tax revenue. However, to the best of my knowledge, there has been no visible road development or significant improvement on this stretch that would justify the continued collection of toll fees.

Moreover, a parking fee for the Brindavan Gardens is also being collected at the same toll gate. This charge is levied even on individuals who are not visiting the Gardens, which seems unreasonable and unfair.

In this context, it is unclear under whose authority this toll is being collected, where the collected funds are being allocated and what legal basis exists for charging both toll and parking fees at this location.

It is also concerning that no apparent action has been taken to address these issues so far.

I request the authorities to kindly look into this matter and take appropriate action to ensure transparency, accountability and fairness for the public.

—Sunoj Nambiar

Mysuru 4.6.2026

'Hakki Mattu Avalu'

Solo poetry-theatre performance

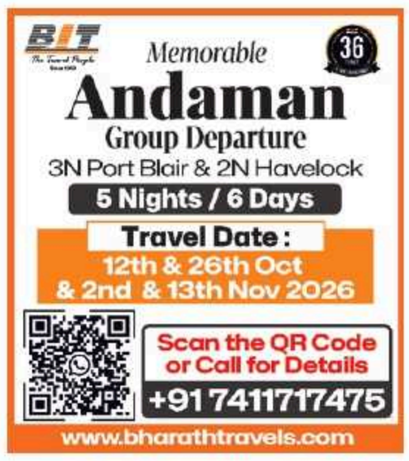
Mysuru, June 26- The Indian Institute of Educational Theatre (IIET) has organised a unique solo poetry-theatre performance titled 'Hakki Mattu Avalu' at the IIET premises, Hardwicke School Campus, tomorrow (June 27) at 6 pm. Conceptualised, designed and directed by renowned theatre practitioner Dr. Shripada Bhat, the performance will feature Kavya Hande on stage.

The production is based on selected Kannada poems, stories, essays and literary works translated into Kannada, bringing together literature and theatre in a compelling artistic expression.

The performance explores themes of womanhood, freedom, identity and liberation through poetry and dramatic interpretation. It portrays the journey of a woman who dreams of freedom while being confined by various social, cultural and personal boundaries. The production seeks to engage audiences in a deeper reflection on freedom, self-awareness and the process of overcoming pain and oppression.

Drawing inspiration from voices of liberation that resonate across regions, cultures and generations, the production weaves together diverse literary expressions into a powerful theatrical experience.

Entry is free. For details, contact Mob: 96868-92255.



Talk on 'Positive Health' at Mysore Open Forum

Mysuru, June 26- Mysore Open Forum (MOF) has organised a talk on 'Positive Health - How to be physically and mentally fit' by Dr. C.R. Chandrashekar, a People's Psychiatrist, at 10.30 am on **Sunday (June 28)** at Kalpa Kshetra Auditorium, 581/1, Vijayanagar 4th Stage, 1st Phase, Mysuru. The talk is open to all. [Mob: 94498-19536].

Dr. Chandrashekar

Dr. Chandrashekar, who is also is an academic and a mental health advocate, has served as a professor and Deputy Medical Superintendent at NIMHANS, Bengaluru.

Known for his contributions to community psychiatry and public mental health in India, he has worked in general psychiatry, forensic psychiatry and community psychiatry.

He played a key role in formulating and implementing the National Mental Health Programme in 1982 and developed the Bellary model of District Mental Health Programme (DMHP), which is now implemented in over 400 districts across India.

An advocate for mental health awareness across Karnataka, he established SAMADHANA Centre in 2007, providing free consultations to over 30,000 patients. Since 1980, he has also worked at Prasanna Counselling Centre, where over one lakh persons have received care.

He has donated his personal assets and property to NIMHANS. His lifelong dedication to mental health care, training and outreach continues to influence public psychiatry in India. He has authored more than 70 peer-reviewed articles in national and international journals and has contributed extensively to public awareness through books and articles in Kannada and English

Awards: Dr. Chandrashekar received the *Padma Shri* in 2024 for his contributions to Medicine; Rajyotsava Award - Government of Karnataka; Kempegowda Award - Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara-Palike (BBMP); National Award for Popularising Science - Government of India and UGC; Eminent Psychiatrist Award - Indian Psychiatric Society (Karnataka and South Zone; Lifetime Achievement Awards - Karnataka State Science and Technology Academy and Kannada Vaidya Vijnana Parishat.

SIR will decide fate of future elections: State BJP General Secretary

Mysuru, June 26 (BLU&DM)- State BJP General Secretary Preetham Gowda said that the BJP will have to face a major setback in future polls if the party takes lightly on the ongoing SIR (Special Intensive Revision of electoral rolls) process being undertaken by the Election Commission of India in the State.

He was addressing party workers at the party's Mysuru division special meeting on SIR at a private hotel here yesterday.

Noting that the names of even the sitting Legislators and the names of Legislator aspirants too will get deleted in the electoral rolls if the SIR process is neglected, Preetham Gowda, also a former Hassan MLA, stressed on the need for party workers to take the ongoing SIR process seriously.

Maintaining that SIR will decide the fate of future polls, he called upon party workers to strive for the success of the process.

State BJP General Secretary Preetham Gowda addressing party workers on SIR process at a private Hotel in city yesterday. MLA T.S. Srivatsa, MLC Raghu Kautilya, City BJP President L. Nagendra and others are seen.

"The SIR process will also decide the future course of One Nation, One Election campaign and redrawing of Lok Sabha and Assembly Constituencies in all States. As such, the local party leadership should form teams of former Gram Panchayat members and Corporators at every Shakti Kendra and Mahashakti Kendra levels and hold regular meetings to ensure the efficiency and total success of SIR. The party leaders should come out of the mindset that polls can be won by caste calculations and voter allurements. The voter turnout will drastically increase if a genuine and error-free electoral rolls is in place after a successful SIR. Higher voter turnout means that the party has a very bright chance of electoral win," he argued.

Stating that the SIR, which will be held from June 26 to July 30, is not a traditional exercise of addition of new voters or deletion of ineligible voters, Preetham compared the SIR process to teachers erasing what is already written on the black board and writing new arithmetic or equation. The SIR is a process where the names of all voters in the electoral rolls will be deleted and preparation of an entirely new electoral roll. The voters will find it difficult to cast their votes unless they fill in the enumeration forms issued by the BLOs. Hence party workers at all levels have much responsibility of ensuring that genuine voters in their respective booth levels are not left out of the electoral rolls, he observed.

MLA T.S. Srivatsa, State BJP Vice-President M. Rajendra, MLC elect Raghu Kautilya, State BJP Minorities Morcha President Dr. Anil Thomas, City BJP President L. Nagendra, District President Kumbralli Subbanna, former Mayors Sandesh Swamy and Shivakumar, former MLAs N. Mahesh, B. Harshavardhan and Niranjan Kumar, leaders Naveen, E.C. Ningaraj Gowda, Thontadarya, K.R. Mallikarjunappa, Lakshmi Ashwin Gowda, N.V. Phaneesh, Kaveesh Gowda and Siddaraju, Hassan District BJP President Siddesh, Mandya District President Indresh and others were present.

ED raids on Excise Department officials

Rs. 5.5 crore cash, Rs. 7.8 crore gold, Rs. 3.3 lakh foreign currency seized

Agency alleges organised bribery network; Cash book reveals flow of bribe money

Mysuru, June 26 (BCT)- Two days after the Enforcement Directorate (ED) conducted searches at multiple locations linked to senior Karnataka Excise Department officials, the agency has disclosed details of what it alleges is a well-organised corruption network involving excise officers, their associates and private individuals.

Y.D. Manjunath

The investigation has assumed political significance as one of the key persons under scrutiny is Y.D. Manjunath, Additional Excise Commissioner and brother-in-law of Karnataka PWD Minister Satish Jarkiholi.

The ED carried out coordinated raids on June 24 at 14 locations across Bengaluru, Mysuru and Belagavi districts. The searches covered premises linked to excise officials, their family members, business associates and close aides.

Organised bribery network

According to an ED press release, the raids resulted in the seizure of cash, gold, foreign currency and documents that allegedly expose the functioning of an organised bribery network within the Excise Department.

Searches at premises linked to Manjunath, his driver, relatives and associates led to the recovery of about Rs. 5.5 crore in cash, gold jewellery worth approximately Rs. 7.8 crore and foreign currencies valued at Rs. 3.3 lakh. Altogether, the agency has identified and seized assets worth about Rs. 13.3 crore, which it suspects are proceeds of crime.

The ED also seized digital devices, property records and what it described as a detailed cash ledger allegedly recording the collection and distribution of bribe money.

Modus operandi

According to the ED, the investigation points to a structured system of corruption operating at various levels of the Excise Department. The agency alleges that monthly collections were made from liquor vendors and retail outlets across Karnataka.

The money, it claims, was routed through intermediaries before being distributed among various beneficiaries. Investigators believe the seized cash ledger may help trace the movement of illicit funds and identify those involved.

The ED has also alleged that some excise officials had indirect interests in the liquor trade by operating liquor outlets through family members and relatives. It further claims that the illegally collected money was used to acquire properties, fund personal expenses and invest in private businesses.

Besides Manjunath, the searches covered premises linked to Excise Department officials Jagadish Nayak and K.M. Thammanna, along with their relatives, business partners and associates.

The agency is now examining the seized documents and digital evidence to determine the full extent of the alleged corruption network. It said the investigation is at a preliminary stage and further action is likely based on the evidence collected.

Natural Disaster Management

Dr. Yathindra in-charge of Mysuru-Chamarajanagar districts

Bengaluru, June 26 (KMS &DM)- With drought looming large following delayed monsoon, Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar yesterday assigned responsibilities of natural disaster management of districts to all his 13 Cabinet colleagues.

Yathindra

The Cabinet Ministers who have been assigned responsibility as In-charge of the districts for monitoring drought relief and natural disaster management are as follows:

Deputy CM Dr. G. Parameshwar- Tumakuru and Chitradurga, K.H. Muniyappa- Bengaluru Rural, Ballari and Vijayanagar, Ramalinga Reddy- Bengaluru South (previously Ramanagara) and Mandya, M.B. Patil- Vijayapura and Bagalkot, K.J. George- Shivamogga, Chikkamagalur and Davangere, Krishna Byregowda- Bengaluru Urban and Hassan, Eshwar Khandre- Bidar and Gadag, Satish Jarkiholi- Belagavi, Dharwad and Haveri, Priyank Kharge- Kalaburagi and Yadgir, Dr. Sharanprakash Patil- Raichur and Koppal, U.T. Khader- Udupi, Kodagu, Dakshina Kannada and Uttara Kannada, Byrathi Suresh- Kolar and Chikkaballapur and Dr. Yathindra Siddaramaiah- Mysuru and Chamarajanagar.

Suicide pact: State Women's Commission seeks action taken report from SP

Mysuru, June 26 (PM&KS)- Karnataka State Commission for Women has written a letter to the Superintendent of Police (SP) of Mysuru district, seeking a report on the action taken in connection with the death of three members of a family —man, his wife and daughter — who committed suicide by consuming poison at their newly constructed house, in Hale Kempaiahnahundi village of T. Narasipur taluk recently.

The letter stated that the tragic incident has been reported by media and the State Women's Commission has taken cognisance of this incident. Hence a thorough probe should be taken and legal action be initiated against accused Ullas Gowda. The action taken report should be submitted to the Commission, the letter added.

Shivanna, his wife Nagarathna and their daughter Rakshitha, unable to bear the harassment from accused Ullas Gowda of the same village, had committed suicide leaving behind a death note.

Waste menace at Ch. Hill

Video report catches Govt's attention

SOM impact

Mysuru, June 26 (PM&BS)- The State Government has taken note of a video report published on the social media page of *Star of Mysore* highlighting litter, including single-use plastic and other waste, strewn near Sri Chamundeshwari Temple atop Chamundi Hill and in the adjoining forest area.

Following the report, the Officer on Special Duty (OSD) to the Chief Minister sought an Action Taken Report (ATR) from Sri Chamundeshwari Temple Development Authority Secretary M.J. Roopa.

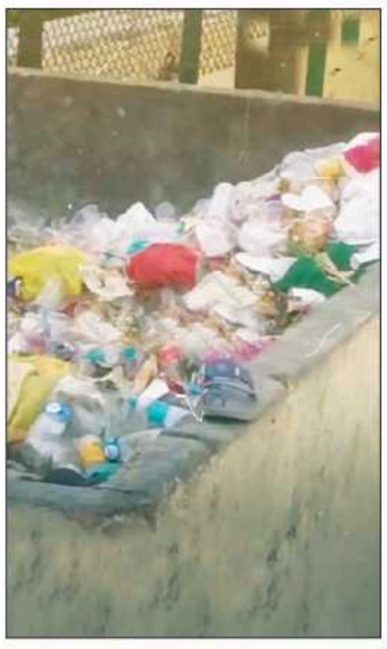
In her reply, Roopa stated that the waste had been cleared and enclosed a photograph of the cleaned concrete dustbin located behind the temple.

She explained that devotees regularly dispose of *puja* materials in dustbin, from where the waste is periodically shifted to the Solid Waste Management unit after the bin is filled.

According to Roopa, on the day the issue was highlighted, the temple witnessed a heavy influx of devotees, resulting in an unusually large accumulation of waste. The garbage was cleared the following day, she said.

The Secretary further informed the Government that the Temple Authority has now adopted a new Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for maintaining cleanliness across all its premises.

Chairman of the Karnataka State Biodiversity Board S.E. Sudheendra has shared with *Star of Mysore* copies of the official correspondence exchanged between the Government and the Temple Authority regarding the matter.



Traditional stone bus shelter near Chamundi Hill Arch Gate soon

MLA G.T. Devegowda's Rs. 17 lakh project to be completed before first *Ashada* Friday

Mysuru, June 26 (GA&BCT)- A new bus passenger shelter, designed in traditional architectural style, is coming up near the Arch Gate at Chamundi foothill ahead of *Ashada* festivities, when lakhs of devotees visit the famed Hill shrine.

The shelter is expected to be ready before the first *Ashada* Friday on July 17. To facilitate the movement of pilgrims arriving from across the country, Chamundeshwari MLA G.T. Devegowda (GTD) has sanctioned Rs. 17 lakh from special funds for the project.

Designed entirely in stone, the structure will reflect Mysuru's heritage architecture and blend with the city's distinctive cultural character.

GTD, who had earlier overseen the construction of the landmark clock tower at Sangam Circle in Vijayanagar, has taken keen interest in the project, which is intended to serve devotees for years to come.

During the *Ashada* month, private vehicles are prohibited from entering Chamundi Hill and devotees depend on Government-arranged buses to reach the temple and offer prayers to Goddess Chamundeshwari.

Many pilgrims board these buses near the Arch Gate on the Hill Road, where the lack of a proper waiting area has long been a source of inconvenience. The new shelter is expected to address this need by providing a comfortable waiting space for devotees.

Work on the project has been underway for the past two months. The 20 ft. x 17 ft. shelter has already reached the foundation stage, while artistic stone pillars are being crafted using machinery to ensure both durability and aesthetic appeal.

The construction is scheduled for completion before July 17, when the first *Ashada* Friday is expected to witness a large influx of devotees.

"This bus shelter will reflect Mysuru's heritage while providing convenience to pilgrims visiting Goddess Chamundeshwari," GTD said.

Access drinking water at 36 points atop Hill Temple

Mysuru, June 26 (GA&BCT)- To ensure easy access to drinking water for thousands of devotees visiting Chamundi Hill every day, Sri Chamundeshwari Kshetra Development Authority has installed drinking water taps at 36 locations within the Temple premises.

The initiative follows repeated complaints about devotees struggling to access drinking water during peak hours, particularly while waiting in long queues for *darshan*.

One of Karnataka's most visited pilgrimage centres, Chamundi Hill attracts lakhs of devotees and tourists annually. During festival seasons and weekends, heavy crowds often leave pilgrims fatigued and dehydrated,

with some reportedly collapsing due to exhaustion.

To address the issue and reduce the use of plastic bottles on the Hill, the Authority implemented the project under Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) funding in association with the State Bank of India.

Drinking water taps have been installed along both the free *darshan* and special *darshan* queue lines.

The taps are housed in specially designed steel units, with separate outlets and cups provided for the convenience of devotees. Pilgrims can now drink water and refresh themselves without having to leave the queue.

Officials said the initiative is part of ongoing efforts to improve basic amenities on Chamundi Hill while preserving its sanctity and promoting a cleaner, plastic-free environment.

Talk on 'Builders of Soil'

Mysuru, June 26 (BCT)- Dr. A.P.C. Abhijith will deliver a special talk titled "The Builders of Soil" tomorrow (June 27) at 6 pm at Indraprastha Homoeo Clinic, D-Block, 10th Main, J.P. Nagar.

Organised by Team SAALIGA and Mysore Nature, the talk will explore how countless organisms beneath soil have broken down organic matter, recycled nutrients and built fertile topsoil that supports terrestrial life.

A field session will follow the programme as part of the Monthly Nature Walk on Sunday (June 28).

Participants will assemble at 7 am at Subedar Lake, Kalalavadi, to observe soil-building organisms in their natural habitat. Those interested may register by contacting Dr. Abhijith on Mob: 94804-68772 or Pavan Ramachandra on Mob: 99863-91981.

CHOKED...

- **First In, First Out rule creates certificate bottleneck**
- **Pending applications cross 2,100 in Mysuru**

Mysuru, June 26 (MTY& BCT)- The State Government's First In, First Out (FIFO) rule for issuing caste, income and other certificates has become a major source of frustration for citizens.

Introduced by the Revenue Department, the system mandates that applications be processed strictly in the order they are received, with a compulsory 21-day processing period.

While intended to ensure fairness and transparency, the rule has created significant delays, leaving applicants unable to access essential services related to education, healthcare and employment.

Students hassled

With the new academic year underway, hundreds of students seeking admission to schools and colleges are facing difficulties. Fee concessions, hostel admissions and scholarships require caste and income certificates, but many students are unable to obtain them within the stipulated deadlines due to delays in processing.

Under the FIFO system, certificates and endorsements are issued strictly in sequence, without provision for prioritising urgent cases. As a result, applicants requiring documents for immediate medical treatment, job applications or admissions are forced to wait. Although the prescribed processing period is 21 working days, holidays often extend the waiting period to nearly a month.

Affecting social security schemes

The delay affects a wide range of services and benefits, including Economically Weaker Section (EWS) certificates, Other Backward Classes (OBC) certificates, family tree records, survivor certificates, landholding documents, social security benefits, widow pensions, old-age pensions, 'Sandhya Suraksha' benefits and disability certificates.

The impact is being felt across sectors. Job aspirants applying for Police Department vacancies must submit multiple certificates, but delays have stalled their applications.

Students are unable to avail themselves of fee concessions and hostel facilities without timely caste and income certificates. Patients seeking hospital fee waivers or Government assistance are also finding it difficult to access benefits on time.

Server issues

Applicants seeking STC tenancy-related certificates are facing additional confusion due to the absence of clear guidelines in cases where the applicant's residence and landholding fall under different jurisdictions. The application process itself has added to public inconvenience. Applicants are required to scan documents and complete OTP verification within 15 minutes.

While scanning documents can take up to 10 minutes, OTPs often arrive late or fail to arrive altogether. If the process exceeds the stipulated time, the system automatically logs out, forcing applicants to restart the procedure. Frequent server outages have further compounded the problem.

Growing backlog

According to officials, Mysuru Taluk Office receives between 400-500 applications every day. More than 2,100 applications are currently pending. Each application requires the Tahsildar's digital signature. Although officials clear between 100 and 120 applications daily, the backlog continues to grow.

Social activist Ahinda Javarappa has criticised the FIFO rule as unscientific. Recalling earlier representations made to former Revenue Minister Krishna Byregowda seeking its withdrawal, he said the system was adversely affecting citizens in urgent need of certificates.

"If a heart patient has to wait 21 days for a certificate to access treatment, what happens to that person's life? Students and job-seekers are losing opportunities because of these delays. The Government must abolish the FIFO system and ensure certificates are issued promptly," he demanded.

What is FIFO system?

The First-In, First-Out (FIFO) system adopted by the Karnataka Revenue Department and other Government agencies mandates that citizen applications be processed strictly in the order in which they are received, based on the date and time of submission.

The system is designed to ensure transparency and fairness by preventing out-of-turn processing, reducing the scope for human discretion and eliminating preferential treatment.

Under FIFO principle, applications are taken up sequentially, with officers required to process them according to their order of receipt, irrespective of the nature or urgency of the request.

KSOU gets new VC

Prof. A.P. Jnanaprakash, who assumed office as the new Vice-Chancellor of KSOU, being greeted by Prof. S.K. Naveen Kumar, KSOU Registrar (Administration) at Muktagangothri campus on Thursday evening as Prof. Anand Kumar (extreme left), KSOU Registrar (Evaluation) and Dr. T.R. Chandrashekar, University of Mysore Syndicate member look on.

Mysuru, June 26 (MK&DM)- Prof. A.P. Jayaprakash, who was serving as the Chairman of the Department of Studies in Physics, University of Mysore (UoM), assumed office as the new Vice-Chancellor of Karnataka State Open University (KSOU) at Muktagangothri campus here on Thursday evening. He replaces Prof. Sharanappa V. Halse, whose term had ended.

Prof. Jayaprakash will serve as the KSOU VC for a three-year period or until he attains the age of 65 years, whichever is earlier, according to the appointment order issued by the office of the Governor-Chancellor of all State-run Universities.

Profile: Prof. A.P. Jnanaprakash had earlier served as the Registrar of UoM and member and Co-ordinator of NAAC peer team. A member of the Evaluation Board of UPSC, KPSC and APSC, he has over 155 articles to his credit, which have been published in reputed international journals. He has presented papers in countries such as USA, Brazil, Taiwan, China and Netherlands.

He was conferred 'Sir C.V. Raman Award' in 2024, an annual State-level honour given by Karnataka Government to recognise outstanding young scientists for exceptional contribution to Science and Technology.

This Dasara will have *Kambala*

Mysuru and Bengaluru** Kambala **Committee Chairman and Puttur MLA Ashok Rai** (in dark glasses) **seen in conversation with DCPs Dr. Harsha Priyamvada and K.S. Sundar Raj during spot inspection at Sathagalli this morning as others look on.

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Responding to questions on water requirements for the event, Ashok Rai said the organisers would dig three to four borewells at the venue to meet operational needs, while buffalo owners would bring water tankers to cater to animals' drinking water requirements. He added that the soil excavated while preparing the two race tracks would be reused to level and strengthen the tracks, along with sand.

"The Chief Minister has directed us to conduct the event smoothly while ensuring the highest standards of public safety. All arrangements will be made accordingly," Rai said.

Parking facility: "The 23-acre venue has adequate space to accommodate parking for 3,500 to 4,000 cars besides two-wheelers. The site has sufficient area for erecting stalls and sheds for participating buffaloes."

DCP (Law and Order) Dr. Harsha Priyamvada, DCP (Crime and Traffic) K.S. Sundar Raj, Department of Kannada and Culture Assistant Director Dr. M.D. Sudarshan, State Kambala Committee Secretary Vijayakumar Kanginamane, Bengaluru Kambala Working President Muralidhar Rai Matanthabettu and other officials were present.

International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking

City Police take out awareness rally

Mysuru, June 26 (BLU, GA, MTY&KS)-As part of International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking, City Police took out an awareness rally on the ill effects of drugs this morning.

The awareness rally was flagged off in front of Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple near the North Gate of Mysore Palace by Kannada actor Vinay Rajkumar.

In his address, he said that drugs pose danger to everyone especially youths, who are getting addicted to it.

He called upon everyone to stay away from drugs to lead a healthy life besides urging public to inform the Police if they come across anyone selling or consuming drugs.

The actor lauded the Police Department for conducting awareness rally and providing information about the ill effects of drugs.

Over 1,000 people including Police officers and staff, college students and nursing students, holding placards with messages such as 'Say no to drugs,' 'Drugs destroy life,' 'Shun drugs to lead a healthy life' etc., took out the rally which passed via Albert Victor Road, KR Circle, Sayyaji Rao Road, Government Ayurveda Hospital Circle, Irwin Road, Nehru Circle, Ashoka Road and Town Hall, before culminating at the starting point.

City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar, DCP (Law and Order) Dr. Harsha Priyamvada, DCP (Crime and Traffic) K.S. Sundar Raj and others were present.

Kannada actor Vinay Rajkumar and City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar flagging off the awareness rally in front of Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple in city this morning. DCP (Law and Order) Dr. Harsha Priyamvada, DCP (Crime and Traffic) K.S. Sundar Raj and others are seen.

MLA Tanveer Sait flagging off the awareness rally at Udayagiri in city yesterday as Mysore District Chemists and Druggists Welfare Association President Kumaraswamy, Secretary Amanulla Khan, Police Officers and others look on.

Vijayanagar Police take out awareness rally

Meanwhile, Vijayanagar Police took out an awareness rally in its jurisdiction yesterday.

Speaking on the occasion, Vijayanagar Sub-Division ACP Raviprasad said that consuming drugs will have adverse effect on the person's health, education and family besides posing serious effect on the society which will also make way for anti-social activities.

He called upon the people especially youths to be aware of the ill effects of consuming drugs, stay away from it and lead a disciplined life.

Pointing out that this week is being observed as Anti Drugs Week - 2026, the ACP said that Vijayanagar Police will be creating awareness on drug abuse among the public, at schools and colleges by conducting various programmes.

Administrative Officer of Vijayanagar's Sri Yoganarasimhaswamy Temple N. Srinivas, Vijayanagar Inspector Lava, Metagalli Inspector Arun Kumar, Saraswathipuram Police Station's Ravikiran, Hebbal Police Station's Lakshmikanth, Police personnel and students were present.

MLA Tanveer Sait flags off awareness rally

The Mysore District Chemists and Druggists Welfare Association (MDCDWA), in association with Food Safety and Drug Administration Department, JSS College of Pharmacy, Farooqia College of Pharmacy, Majestic Primary and High School and Victory Charitable Trust, had also organised an awareness rally at Udayagiri in city yesterday.

The rally, comprising students, teachers, pharmacists, healthcare professionals and members of the public was flagged off by MLA Tanveer Sait at Udayagiri Circle which passed on prominent roads before culminating at Majestic School in Udayagiri.

Speaking on the occasion, Udayagiri Inspector S. Nagesh highlighted the importance of creating awareness on the harmful consequences of drug abuse.

He emphasised that drug addiction can adversely affect the health, education, family life and future of young people. He urged students, parents, teachers and members of the public to remain vigilant, report suspicious drug-related activities and work together with law-enforcement agencies to build a safer, healthier and drug-free society.

Principal of JSS College of Pharmacy Dr. T.M. Pramod Kumar, Principal of Farooqia College of Pharmacy Dr. Nisar Ahmed, Principal of Mangaluru P.A. College of Pharmacy Dr. Saleemulla Khan, Head of the Department of Pharmacy Practice at JSS College of Pharmacy Dr. Shilpa Palaksha, Assistant Drugs Controller of Mysuru Circle-1 B.V. Ashalatha, Assistant Drugs Controller of Mysuru Circle-2 Waseem Ur Rehman Shariff, Secretary of Victory Charitable Trust Dr. Mohammed Daiyaan Khan, Mysore District Chemists and Druggists Welfare Association President Kumaraswamy, Secretary Amanulla Khan and others were present.

Obituary

Srinivasa

Mysuru, June 26- Srinivasa (87), resident of Hanumanthanagar in Bannimantap, passed away following age-related illness in city yesterday. He leaves behind his son Girish Lad, proprietor of P.K. Corner, opposite Bhuvaneshwari Kalyana Mantap, Bannimantap, two daughters, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at the foot of Chamundi Hill this morning.

Rs. 72 lakh worth of drugs incinerated

Mysuru, June 26 (KS)- The Drug Disposal Committee on June 25 destroyed narcotic substances worth about Rs. 72 lakh that had been seized in cases registered under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act across various Police Stations in the city.

The destroyed contraband included 80.739 kg of ganja seized in 30 NDPS cases and 314.385 grams of methamphetamine (meth) seized in 12 cases.

After obtaining the Court's permission, the drugs were incinerated at the GIPS Biotech facility at Gujjegowdanapura village in Jayapura Hobli of Mysuru taluk in the presence of the Drug Disposal Committee.

The disposal process was supervised by the Committee Chairman and DCP (Crime and Traffic) K.S. Sundar Raj. Committee Member-Secretary and CCB ACP Mohammed Shariff Rawther, Committee Member C. Ravi Shankar and other officials were present.

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ಈ ಮೂಲಕ ಸಮಸ್ತ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕರಿಗೆ ತಿಳಿಯಪಡಿಸುವುದೇನೆಂದರೆ, **ಶ್ರೀ ಪಾಠಕ್ ಡೆವಲಪರ್ಸ್ ಪ್ರೈ.ಲಿ.** ರುಕ್ಮ, ಕಾಂಪ್ಲೆಕ್ಸ್ ಕಾಳಿದಾಸ ರಸ್ತೆ, ಮೈಸೂರು ರವರಿಂದ ಬರಬೇಕಾದ ಹೂಡಿಕೆ ಬಾಕಿ ಮೊತ್ತ **ರೂ. 82,24,307/-** ಗಳನ್ನು ಹಿಂತಿರುಗಿಸದ ಕಾರಣ, ಸದರಿಯವರಿಗೆ ಸೇರಿದ ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡ ಸ್ಥಿರ ಆಸ್ತಿಯ ಬಹಿರಂಗ ಹರಾಜು ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯೆಯನ್ನು **ದಿನಾಂಕ: 30-06-2026 ರಂದು ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 11.00 ಗಂಟೆಯಿಂದ ಮಧ್ಯಾಹ್ನ 1.00 ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ** House No: 2992/1, New No. 27/1, No. 2992/1A, D-27/1A (Site No.1, Block No 2-C) 3rd Main, V.V.Mohalla, Devaraja Mohalla, Mysuru-570002 ನಿವೇಶನ ಹಾಗೂ ಈ ಪ್ರದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿ ಒಳಗೊಂಡಿರುವ 1,200.00 Sqft ಮನೆ ಸ್ವತ್ತಿನ ಮುಂಭಾಗದಲ್ಲಿ ನಡೆಸಲಾಗುತ್ತಿದ್ದು ಸದರಿ ಆಸ್ತಿಯ ಮೀಸಲು ಮೌಲ್ಯ **ರೂ. 1,27,36,350/- ಗಳ** ನಿವೇಶನ ಹಾಗೂ ಈ ಪ್ರದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿ ಒಳಗೊಂಡಿರುವ **1200.00 Sqft** ಮನೆ ಇದ್ದು, ಆಸಕ್ತರು ಸದರಿ ಸ್ಥಳದಲ್ಲಿಯೇ ಮುಂಗಡ ಹಣ (EMD) ಮೊತ್ತ **ರೂ.1,27,360/-ಗಳನ್ನು Tahashildar Rent Account** ರವರ ಹೆಸರಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಡಿ.ಡಿ. ಮೂಲಕ ನೀಡಿ, ನೋಂದಾಯಿಸಿಕೊಂಡು ಹರಾಜಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಾಗಿ ಮೈಸೂರು ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು ಕಛೇರಿಯನ್ನು ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸಬಹುದಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

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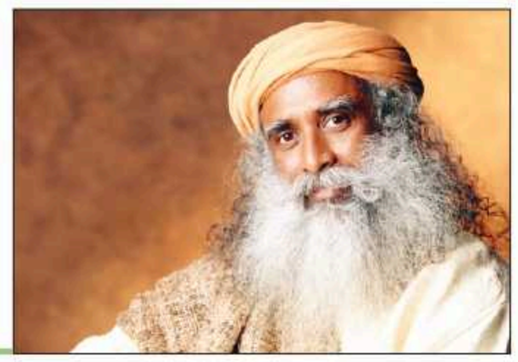
MYSTIC'S MUSINGS

By Sadhguru - Founder, Isha Foundation



Nandi: The Meditative Bull

Shekhar Kapur: I understand Nandi is Shiva's vehicle. Is he waiting for Shiva to come out and say... what? Tell me more about the Nandi.

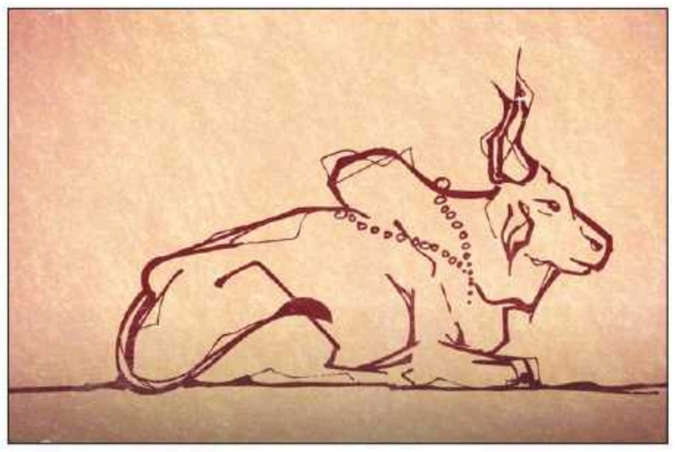
Sadhguru: He is not waiting for him to come out and say something. He is in waiting. Nandi is a symbolism of eternal waiting, because waiting is considered the greatest virtue in Indian culture. One who knows how to simply sit and wait is naturally meditative. He is not expecting Shiva to come out tomorrow. He will wait forever. That quality is the essence of receptivity.

Nandi is Shiva's closest accomplice because he is the essence of receptivity. Before you go in, you must have the quality of Nandi — to simply sit. You are not trying to go to heaven, you are not trying to get this or that — you go inside and simply sit. So, just by sitting here, he is telling you, "When you go in, don't do your fanciful things. Don't ask for this or that. Just go and sit like me."

Shekhar Kapur: And waiting and anticipation are two different things, I assume, right?

Sadhguru: He is not waiting in anticipation or expectation. He is just waiting. That's meditation — just sitting. That's his message for you. Simply go inside and sit. Alert, not sleepy.

Shekhar Kapur: So, the bull is sitting in what we would call meditation?



Sadhguru: People have always misunderstood meditation as some kind of activity. No, it is a quality. That is a fundamental difference. Prayer means you are trying to talk to God. You are trying to tell him your vows, your expectations or whatever else.

Meditation means you are willing to just listen to existence, to the ultimate nature of creation. You have nothing to say, you simply listen. That is the quality of Nandi — he just sits, alert. This is very important: he is alert. He is not sleepy or sitting in a passive way. He is sitting very active, full of alertness and life, but no expectation or anticipation. That is meditation. Just waiting, not for anything in particular.

If you just wait without doing your own thing, the existence will do its thing. Meditation essentially means the individual person is not doing his own thing. He is just there. Once you are simply there, you become aware of the larger dimension of the existence, which is always in action. You become aware that you are a part of it. Even now, you are a part of it. But becoming aware that "I am a part of it" is meditativeness. Nandi is the symbolism of that. He reminds everyone, "You must sit like me."

Nandi at Dhyanalinga

Shekhar Kapur: What is the Nandi at Dhyanalinga made of? I can see this is metal, is it steel?

Sadhguru: He is probably the only Nandi made in this very unique way. Small pieces of metal, each one not more than six to nine inches in size, were put together to form the surface. Inside, it is filled with sesame seeds, turmeric, vibhuti the sacred ash, certain types of oils, some sand and certain other types of soil. It took some 20 tons of material to fill it. Then it was sealed. The whole concoction has been prepared in a certain way. This makes the bull radiate a certain field of energy.

[Sadhguru, a yogi, is a visionary, humanitarian and a prominent spiritual leader. An author, poet and internationally-renowned speaker, Sadhguru's wit and piercing logic provoke and widen our perception of life. www.ishafoundation.org]

'Partial Emergency Mock Drill' at Mysore Airport

Industrial Security Force, Airport Rescue & Fire Fighting Services & Hospitals participate in DGCA-mandated exercise

Mysuru, June 26 (BCT)- Mysore Airport conducted a 'Partial Emergency Mock Exercise' to assess and strengthen its emergency response capabilities.

The drill was conducted in accordance with the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) Civil Aviation Requirements (CAR Section 10, Series C, Part I).

The exercise, held on Tuesday, was aimed at addressing shortcomings identified during an earlier 'Full-Scale Emergency Exercise' while providing hands-on training to various stakeholders and emergency response agencies associated with Airport operations.

The mock drill simulated a crisis and evaluated the preparedness of participating agencies, inter-agency coordination, operational readiness and the effectiveness of established emergency response procedures.

Coordinated efforts

Many organisations took part in the exercise, including JSS Hospital, Orient Flying School, IndiGo Airlines, Karnataka State Fire and Emergency Services, Mysuru Medical College and Research Institute (MMC&RI) and the District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA) functioning under the office of the Mysuru Deputy Commissioner.

The exercise was conducted under the supervision of Airport Director P.V. Ushakumari. Fire Department Head Vijayan, Safety Manager Damu and Safety Investigation Coordinator Raman Sharma played key roles in planning and executing the drill.

The Karnataka State Industrial Security Force (KSISF) and Airport Rescue and Fire Fighting Services (ARFF) demonstrated coordinated emergency response measures during the exercise, showcasing their ability to respond effectively to crises within the Airport premises.

Following the mock drill, officials conducted a structured debriefing session to review the performance of participating agencies, identify operational gaps and recommend corrective measures.

Improving preparedness

Airport authorities said the review process would help further improve emergency preparedness and ensure passenger safety.

Speaking on the occasion, Airport Director Ushakumari said the successful conduct of the exercise reaffirmed Mysore Airport's commitment to maintaining the highest standards of aviation safety, emergency preparedness and inter-agency coordination in line with DGCA guidelines.

Ushakumari added that such exercises would continue to be conducted periodically as mandated by the Directorate General of Civil Aviation to strengthen crisis management capabilities and enhance confidence among passengers, stakeholders and emergency response agencies.

Season 5 Maharaja Trophy KSCA T20

Gulbarga Mystics outclass Hubli Tigers

Mysuru leg concludes, tournament shifts to Hubballi

Kranthi Kumar of Gulbarga Mystics receiving the Trusted Player of the Match award from Cycle Pure Agarbathi representative at SDNR Wadiyar Stadium in Manasagangothri yesterday as KSCA Mysuru Zone Senior Selection Committee Chairman Guruprasad looks on.

Mysuru, June 26- Gulbarga Mystics returned to winning ways with a commanding seven-wicket victory over Hubli Tigers in the Maharaja Trophy KSCAT20 Tournament at SDNR Wadiyar Stadium in Manasagangothri here yesterday.

In a low-scoring contest, Hubli Tigers struggled for momentum throughout their innings, losing wickets at regular intervals before finishing on 119 for nine in 20 overs. The Tigers' highest partnership came from the final wicket, with Shikhar Shetty (27 not out off 17 balls; 2 fours, 2 sixes) and Vaibhav Sharma (4 not out) adding 31 runs, highlighting the batting side's overall struggles.

Shetty's late flourish, which included 17 runs in the final over, helped the Hubli Tigers avoid being bowled out for under 100. Mayank Agarwal (16) and Abhinav Manohar (21) failed to convert their starts, while medium pacer Kranthi Kumar starred with the ball, returning with impressive figures of 3 for 17 from three overs, including nine dot balls.

Chasing 120, the Gulbarga Mystics lost two early wickets before Thippa Reddy (34 not out off 24 balls; 4 fours) and Macneil Noronha (42 not out off 29 balls; 3 fours, 3 sixes) steadied the innings with an unbeaten partnership to guide their side home in just 13.2 overs with seven wickets in hand.

In the earlier match, Coastal Kings Mangaluru outclassed Mysore Warriors by six wickets. Batting first, Warriors scored 191/9 in 20 overs. In reply, Mangaluru scored 195/4 in 17 overs.

BRIEF SCORES

Mysore Warriors 191/9 in 20 overs (L.R. Chethan 67, Yuvraj Arora 37; Vasuki Kaushik 3/43, Shreyas Gopal 2/25) lost to **Coastal Kings Mangaluru 195/4 in 17 overs** (Shreyas Gopal 84, Karun Nair 61; Arbind Kumar Rai 2/31).

Hubli Tigers 119/9 in 20 overs (Shikhar Shetty 27 not out; Kranthi Kumar 3/17) lost to **Gulbarga Mystics 120/3 in 13.2 overs** (Thippa Reddy 34 not out, Macneil Noronha 42 not out; Shikhar Shetty 2/26).

TOMORROW'S MATCHES (JUNE 27)

Shivamogga Yodhas Vs Bengaluru Blasters	2.30 pm
Mysore Warriors Vs Gulbarga Mystics	7.00 pm

VENUE: KSCA Stadium, Hubballi

Catch the live action on ***Sony Ten 5*** and ***Sony Kannada.***
Live streaming also available on ***Fancode.***

KSCA Hon. Secretary Santosh Menon disqualified

Santosh Menon

Bengaluru, June 26 (Agencies) - In a setback to the Karnataka State Cricket Association (KSCA) administration led by its President Venkatesh Prasad, BCCI Ombudsman Justice Arun Mishra (retd.) has disqualified KSCA Hon. Secretary Santosh Menon, ruling that he had completed the maximum permissible nine-year tenure.

The order was passed on a complaint filed by Dolphin Cricketers, a KSCA institutional member. Justice Arun Mishra said Menon could not continue in the post after completing the cumulative tenure limit and declared the position vacant.

In the order dated June 24, Justice Mishra stated that Menon's tenure ended on Dec. 16, 2025, nine days after he assumed charge following the KSCA elections held on Dec. 7.

"Respondent No. 3 (Menon) has completed a cumulative term of nine years as a member of the Managing Committee and as an office-bearer; he is disqualified under Section 6B(3)(g)," the order stated.

The Ombudsman noted that Menon's earlier tenure as a Managing Committee member must also be counted while calculating the nine-year limit. The order clarified that holding different positions within the Association does not allow exclusion of any part of the tenure period.

"The provisions of 6A and 6(B)(2)(e) do not come to the rescue in case a person is holding different posts. The period for all posts has to be cumulated under Rule 6(B)(2)(g) of KSCA Rules," the order stated.

The order further referred to the BCCI constitution, stating that no individual can hold any post for more than nine years.

Justice Mishra observed that the purpose of the tenure restriction would be diluted if the terms served as an office-bearer and Managing Committee member were considered separately. The Ombudsman directed the BCCI and KSCA to take further necessary action in the matter.

Reacting to the order, KSCA President Venkatesh Prasad, in a press release, said the Association was examining the decision and would seek legal remedies.

Sangeetha Katti

to perform for Raaga Vaibhava in city on Sunday

Sangeetha Katti

Pt. Rajendra Nakod

Pt. Satish

Mysuru, June 26- Raaga Vaibhava Charitable Trust, Mysuru, has organised a grand Hindustani Vocal Recital by Dr. Sangeetha Katti Kulkarni at Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha on JLB Road on June 28 (Sunday) at 6 pm. She will be accompanied by Pt. Rajendra Nakod on tabla and Pt. Satish Kolli on harmonium.

Dr. Sangeetha Katti Kulkarni has a performance experience in Hindustani Vocal as well as Bhajans, Vachanas, Dasavani, Abhangs, Bhavageethe, Folk music and Playback singing.

Born in Dharwad, Sangeetha Katti received her initial lessons from her father. At the age of four, she met Naushad Ali which she considered a turning point in her life. Naushad Ali asked her to sing some ragas and was impressed; since then she became his student. Trained initially under Sri Sheshagiri Dandapur and Pt.Chandrashekhar Puranikmath, Sangeetha received advanced training in classical vocals from *Padma Bhushan* Pt. Basavaraj Rajaguru of Kirana and Gwalior Gharana for about twelve years. She is presently under the tutelage of *Padma Bhushan Ganasaraswati* Kishori Amonkar of Jaipur-Atrauli Gharana.

Sangeetha Katti has worked with the leading music directors including Upendra Kumar, M. Ranga Rao, Vijaya Bhaskar, M.M. Keeravani, C. Ashwath, Hamsalekha and others and sung in nine Indian languages with Balamurali Krishna, K.J. Jesudas, S.P. Balasubramanya, Rajkumar, P.B. Srinivas and others. Sangeetha is an "A" grade artiste in classical and light music categories both on AIR and Doordarshan.

She has won innumerable awards including the prestigious Government of Karnataka Award, which is also the highest civilian award in the State.

Pt. Rajendra Nakod, a renowned tabla player, was born in a family of well-accomplished musicians and has keen interest in music since young age. He has performed alongside several musicians including Kadri Gopalnath, Drums Shivamani, to name a few, all over India and abroad. Rajendra Nakod plays for a band 'Shiva - The Musical Thunder,' conducting fusion music concerts. Recently he was awarded Pt. K.S. Hadapada Award at Mysore by Sri Guru Puttaraja Sangeeta Sabha.

Pt. Satish Kolli, one of the most competent harmonium players of Hindustani classical music, started his initial training in vocal music under the tutelage of Pt. M.G. Patwardhan of Dharwad. He later switched to harmonium and was trained under the great maestro Pt. Vasant Kanakapur and is now under the tutelage of Pt. Vyasmurthi Katti.

He is also taking Lehra training from Pt. Ravindra Yavgal. He is a graduate from the Karnataka University, Dharwad and is a 'B High' graded artiste of AIR. He has performed in India, United States of America, Canada UAE and Oman.

— Dr. Padmavathi Narasimhan

73rd Nirantara Kalemane Fest

Kishore Kadam

Mysuru, June 26- Kumar Performing Arts Centre (KPAC), Mysuru, has organised the 73rd International Nirantara Kalemane Festival at its Kalemane Sabhaangana in Hebbal on June 28 at 3 pm. Kishore Kadam, ex-Naik, Indian Army, will be the chief guest.

Performances include Bharatanatyam by Vidu. Smruti Ramesh Kaushik, Founder and Director of Vismaya School of Learning, Mysuru and her disciples; Vid. Alex Raphael, Founder and Director of Daivakala Gruham Art House, Bengaluru and his disciples; Sakshi Ashok and group, senior students of Vid. Mithun Shyam, Founder and Director of Vaishnavi Natyashala, Bengaluru.

WORD OF THE DAY

Jaundiced

Pronunciation: JAWN-dist (adjective).
Meaning: Jaundiced means "showing or influenced by feelings of distrust, distaste or hostility." Someone described as jaundiced or as possessing jaundiced opinions or views, is typically understood to feel that way because of negative past experiences.
Origin: Cast not a jaundiced eye on the word jaundiced—and by that we mean this: don't dislike or distrust jaundiced because of past experiences with the word or with others like it. Jaundiced is handy for describing the grumps among us who tend toward envy, aversion or hostility, and who doesn't know a few of those? This useful 17th century adjective comes from an also-useful 14th century noun jaundice that still refers to a medical condition in which excess bile pigments in the bloodstream and body tissues cause a person's skin to turn yellow. The connection between the physical condition and the bad attitude lies in the physiological theory of the bodily humours, which holds that a hostile, irritable temperament is caused by excess yellow bile in one's body.
Example: "Now, I'm not accusing the mayor of anything. I'm saying that all of these actions were highly inappropriate for an elected official. I voted for her, but will forever more look at her actions with a jaundiced eye." — Eric Rinehimer, The Retrospect (Collingswood, New Jersey), 23 Jan. 2026.

THE ODD WORD

Jocko

A chimpanzee.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Let bygones be bygones

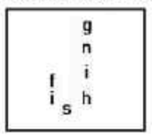
Meaning: The phrase 'Let bygones be bygones' is used to indicate that unpleasant things that have happened in the past are best forgotten.
Origin: The phrase 'Let bygones be bygones' originated in the 15th century. A good example was recorded in a letter by Scottish churchman Samuel Rutherford, acknowledging the follies of his youth: "Pray that byegones betwixt me and my Lord may be byegones."
Example: "Now that we're friends, we can let bygones be bygones."

QUOTE BOX

Incredible change happens in your life when you decide to take control of what you have power over instead of craving control over what you don't. **— Steve Maraboli**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:



Answer: Fishing hook.

SUDOKU

		2		3		8		
			4		2			
	4		7		1		9	
5		4				9		2
			1		9			
1		9				7		3
	5		9		6		7	
			8		3			
		6		7		3		

Answer to previous puzzle

1	6	9	8	7	4	3	2	5
4	5	7	2	1	3	9	8	6
3	8	2	5	9	6	4	7	1
5	9	4	1	6	2	7	3	8
7	3	1	4	5	8	6	9	2
8	2	6	9	3	7	5	1	4
2	7	5	6	8	9	1	4	3
6	4	3	7	2	1	8	5	9
9	1	8	3	4	5	2	6	7

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Pilaster - "at an" anagram?
5 Buck may be one such creature
9 Art degs.
12 New Mexico town
13 Impetuous or reckless
14 ___ Biao : Mao Zedong's famous general?
15 Coup d' ___ : change of power by non-democratic means?
16 Manner
18 Acquired relative (2-3)
20 Hospital employee
21 Veins of metal ores
22 The sun in Spain
23 "Fin" changed for some information, shortly
24 Land set in sea
27 State dissolved in 1991
31 Spoil or damage
32 ____ the mystery : get an answer to the riddle?
34 Southwest Indian
35 Political alliance
37 "Seem" anagram for a type of a duck?
38 Brassiere abbreviation?
39 Green prefix?
41 A country between India and Tibet
43 Unit of magnetic induction
46 Synthetic fibre
47 Wealth
50 Places to sleep
52 Female ruff
53 Money
54 Singles
55 Eye glasses: Pince ___
56 Canadian province - "Lata" anagram?
57 Walk in water

DOWN

1 Consumed
2 Belonging to a country
3 How a pendulum moves? (2,3,3)
4 Former Kiwi batsman Nathan ___
5 Tie
6 Dine
7 Superlative suffix
8 Zoo beast
9 Make indistinct
10 Lends a hand
11 Cut, snicker - "seen" anagram?
17 A south Indian language
19 Unchanged (2,2)
21 Branch
22 Golfer Ballesteros
25 Only fair (2-2)
26 Atty.'s degree
28 Summons to appear in court
29 Marooned, left in the lurch?
30 Genuine
33 Counting-out starter
36 Prison room
40 Intestinal pouches
42 Joint of the arm
43 Ripped
44 Fencing sword
45 Egyptian canal
46 Bollywood star ___ Dhupia
48 ___ Sarovar : bird sanctuary in Gujarat ?
49 VT now
51 Compass direction

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

V	A	P	I	■	S	H	E	A	■	A	T	C
I	P	A	D	■	K	A	N	G	A	R	O	O
N	E	R	O	■	O	V	E	R	S	T	E	P
E	X	C	L	U	D	E	■	E	R	I	N	■
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M	O	O	S	E	■	P	A	S	■	L	I	E
A	B	B	E	■	S	R	I	■	D	E	L	I
S	S	E	■	W	A	Y	■	T	E	S	S	A
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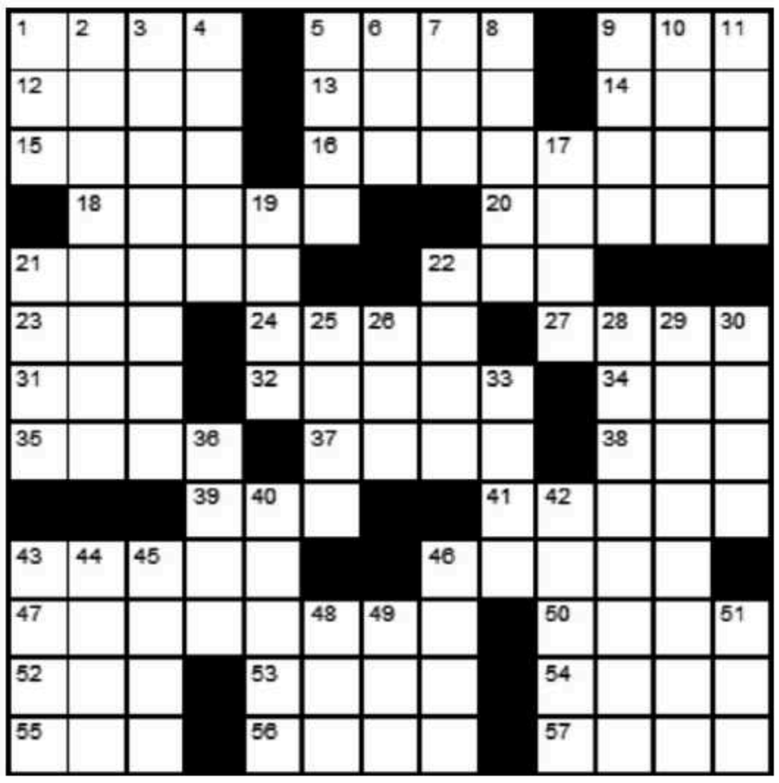

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

HNZVQ ED UOMOWK XE THE UIQH UETJ, YOH GIQQ IAIK CVWK

FONBSUK; TEHRNTJ NT HRNQ AEWUX BIT YV UETJ VTLEKVX.

TODAY'S CLUE: J EQUALS G

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: "Management" means, in the last analysis, the substitution of thought for brawn and muscle, of knowledge for folklore and superstition, and of cooperation for force.

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  Welcome To The Jungle (H) - 3 Shows

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Welcome To The Jungle (H)	(S-1)	10.15 am
	(S-4)	4 pm, 7.15 pm, 10.30 pm
Balaramana Dinagalu (K)	(S-1)	1.30 pm, 9.50 pm
Supergirl (E-3D)	(S-1)	4.30 pm
	(S-2)	10.45 am, 7.35 pm
Moda Kavida Vatavarana (K)	(S-1)	7 pm
Con City (Ta)	(S-2)	1.20 pm
Maa Inti Bangaaram (Te)	(S-2)	4.25 pm, 10.15 pm; (S-3) 7.05 pm
Obsession (E)	(S-3)	10.40 am
Angikaaram (Ta)	(S-3)	1.05 pm
Cocktail 2 (H)	(S-3)	4 pm
	(S-4)	10 am, 1 pm
Ananthankaadu (Ma)	(S-3)	10.15 pm

MOVIES AT MYSURU VISION CINEMAS Ph: 2973519

Balaramana Dinagalu (K)	:	10:15 am, 1.05 pm, 3.55 pm, 6.50 pm
Welcome To The Jungle (H)	:	10.45 am, 12.30 pm
		6.35 pm, 9.30 pm
Moda Kavida Vaathavarana (K)	:	11 am, 1.20 pm
Maa Inti Bangaaram (Te)	:	1.55 pm, 6.30 pm
Cocktail 2 (H)	:	3.40 pm, 9.45 pm
Con City (Ta)	:	3.45 pm, 9.30 pm
Balan: The Boy (K)	:	6.40 pm
Heartin (Ta)	:	9.45 pm

MOVIES AT NEXUS MALL

Welcome To The Jungle (H)	:	8.50 am, 10.30 am, 12.15 pm
		3.40 pm, 7.05 pm, 10.30 pm
Cocktail 2 (H)	:	9.10 am, 12.20 pm, 1.55 pm
		3.30 pm, 6.40 pm, 9.50 pm
Maa Inti Bangaaram (Te)	:	10 am, 7 pm
Supergirl (E-3D)	:	10 am, 2.50 pm, 5.15 pm, 10 pm
Balaramana Binagalu (K)	:	10.25 am, 3.50 pm, 9.30 pm
Obsession (E)	:	12.20 pm, 4.35 pm
Main Vaapas Aaunga (H)	:	1.10 pm, 10.10 pm
Moda Kavida Vaathavarana (K)	:	1.15 pm, 6.55 pm
Con City (Ta)	:	5 pm
Toy Story 5 (E-3D)	:	7.40 pm
The Voice of Hind Rajab (Hebrew)	:	8.10 pm
Ananthan Kaadu (Ma)	:	10.20 pm

MOVIES AT GARUDA MALL

Welcome To The Jungle (H)	:	8.50 am, 12.15 pm, 3.40 pm
		7.05 pm, 10.30 pm
Balaramana Dinagalu (K)	:	9.55 am, 12.50 pm, 7.05 pm
Cocktail 2 (H)	:	9.55 am, 3.55 pm, 10.20 pm
Supergirl (E-3D)	:	10.05 am, 12.30 pm, 5.30 pm, 7.55 pm
Maa Inti Bangaaram (Te)	:	1.05 pm
Moda Kavida Vaathavarana (K)	:	2.55 pm, 7.25 pm
Con City (Ta)	:	4.15 pm
Angikaaram (Ta)	:	10 pm
Peddi (K)	:	10.10 pm

EVENTS TODAY (JUNE 26)

- **Karnataka Ekikarana Trust:** Inauguration of three-day one-woman shows in memory of Dr. Siddanatha Ballari, who fought for freedom and unification of Karnataka, Thinker and Columnist N. Diwakar inaugurates, Chamaraja MLA K. Harishgowda presides, Playwright Dr. Sujatha Akki will be present, Senior Theatre Person N.S. Gopinath delivers the keynote address; Staging of one-woman show 'Ahalye' by Harinakshi Rao, directed by Dr. Sujatha Akki, Arasikere Yogananda Assistant Director; Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **6 pm.**
- **Ganabharathi:** Unique Bharatanatyam by Nritya Kalanidhi Vid. Narendra Gundurao, along with his wife Vidu. Deepa and disciples, Ganabharathi, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Veeranjaneyaswamy Devasthana Trust, Hanumanthanagar, Bannimantap C-Layout, Mysuru:** Garudagambha (Deepastambha) Pratishtapana, Anujne 1, Vishwakshena & Mahaganapati Puja, Bhagavad Vasudeva, Punyaavaachana, Kalasharadhane Agni Pratishtapane, Mahaganapati Homa, Navagraha Homa, Vastu Homa, Laghu Purnahuti, Mahamangalarati and Teertha-Prasada Viniyoga, Temple premises, **6 pm to 8.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (JUNE 27)

- **Sri Veeranjaneyaswamy Devasthana Trust, Hanumanthanagar, Bannimantap C-Layout, Mysuru:** Garudagambha (Deepastambha) Pratishtapana, Panchagavya Stapane, Kalasaradhane, Nyasahoma, Purnahuti, Garudagambha Pratishtapana rituals, Mahamangalarati and Teertha-Prasada Viniyoga, **6.30 am to 12 noon;** Sugama Sangeetha programme by Rajeshwari, Temple premises, **7 pm.**
- **Doctor Dreams, Bengaluru:** Mega MBBS Seminar, Hotel Pai Vista, Nazarbad, **10 am onwards.**
- **Builders' Association of India (BAI), Mysuru Centre:** MyGreen Exhibition, Mysore Airport Director P.V. Usha Kumari chief guest, Nanjaraja Bahadur Choultry, **11 am.**
- **Adda - An interactive community:** 'Solver Jam' (Peer Learning), No. 2343, 5th Cross, Anikethana Road, Kuvempunagar, **2.30 pm to 4.30 pm.**
- **Kalasuruchi:** 'Kathe Kelona Banni -938,' story-telling by Honnamma, BIERT, BRC Office, Mysuru North, Mysuru, Suruchi Rangamane, Kuvempunagar, **4.30 pm to 5.30 pm.** [Mob: 92435-81097 or 99459-43115]
- **Karnataka Ekikarana Trust:** staging of one-woman show 'Akka Nagale' by Dr. B.S. Divya, directed by Dr. Sujatha Akki, Arasikere Yogananda Assistant Director, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Mysuru:** Swami Ishtanathanandaji speaks on 'Kaivalyopanishad' in English, Ashram premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**
- **The Indian Institute of Educational Theatre (IIET):** Unique solo poetry-theatre performance titled 'Hakki Mattu Avalu' by Kavya Hande, directed by Dr. Shripada Bhat, IIET premises, Hardwicke School Campus, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Thyagaraja Sangeetha Sabha Charitable Trust, Mysuru:** Karnatak classical vocal concert by Vid. Ramani Shankar, accompanied by Vidu. K. Mahathee on violin, Vid. A. Radhesh on mridanga and Vid. S. Manjunath on ghata, Sri Rama Mandira, Jayanagar, **6 pm.**
- **Experience Mysuru:** Staging of play 'Kaniveya Haadu,' originally written by Athol Fugard, translated into Kannada by Dr. Meera Murthy, music by Anush Shetty and Munna Mysore, directed by Dr. Sripada Bhat, performance by Megha Sameera and Disha Ramesh, Natana Rangashaale premises, Ramakrishnanagar, **6.30 pm to 8 pm.** [Mob: 81053-18650]
- **Avadhoota Datta Peetham:** 4k Projection Mapping on 45-ft tall Karya Siddhi Hanuman statue, Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda (SGS) Ashram, Dattanagar, Nanjangud Road, **(3 Shows) 7.10 pm, 7.40 pm and 8.10 pm.**

MOVIES AT MALL OF MYSORE

Welcome To The Jungle (H)	:	8.50 am, 12.15 pm, 3.40 pm
		7.05 pm, 10.30 pm
Balaramana Dinagalu (K)	:	9.30 am, 3.45 pm, 10 pm
Cocktail 2 (H)	:	9.35 am, 3.50 pm, 6.50 pm
Moda Kavida Vaathavarana (K)	:	10 am, 7.45 pm
Supergirl (E-3D)	:	12.30 pm, 5.20 pm, 10.20 pm
Maa Inti Bangaaram (Te)	:	12.35 pm, 10.10 pm
Con City (Ta)	:	12.40 pm
Obsession (E)	:	2.55 pm
Angikaaram (Ta)	:	7 pm

MOVIES AT CENTRO MALL

Supergirl (E-3D)	:	9.40 am, 12.05 pm, 5.40 pm, 8.05 pm
Balaramana Dinagalu (K)	:	10.05 am,, 7.15 pm
Welcome To The Jungle (H)	:	11.15 am, 2.40 pm, 6.05 pm, 9.30 pm
Rakshaka 2 (K)	:	11.35 am
Angikaaram (Ta)	:	1.10 pm
Raithara Makkalige Hennu Kodi (K)	:	2.05 pm
Cocktail 2 (H)	:	2.30 pm, 10.30 pm
Uyir (Ma)	:	4.20 pm
Ambaragudda (K)	:	5 pm
Garuda (K)	:	7.30 pm
Ananthan Kaadu (Ma)	:	10.20 pm
Con City (Ta)	:	10.20 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there is no minimum audience of 15.

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AGM tomorrow

Mysuru, June 26- The Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) of Mysuru Travels Association (MTA) for the year 2025-26 will be held at the Association premises, #746, 1st Floor, 6th Cross, 17th Main, Saraswathipuram, tomorrow (June 27) at 5.30 pm.

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